Application Number Docket Number (Optional) 10/607,767 4296-164 US INFORMATION DISCLOSURE CITATION Applicant(s) NISHIMURA et al. heets if necessary) Filing Date Group Art Unit 1621 . June 27, 2003 APR 1 6 2007 **U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS** FILING DATE ENAMINER SUBCLASS CLASS REF DOCUME DATE NAME INITIAL IF APPROPRIATE 7KP/ 532 4,317,926 03/02/1982 SATO et al. 562 U.S. PATENT APPLICATION PUBLICATIONS EXAMINER FILING DATE SUBCLASS DOCUMENT NUMBER DATE NAME CLASS INITIAL IF APPROPRIATE FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS Translation SUBCLASS REF DOCUMENT NUMBER DATE COUNTRY CLASS VES -/KP/ 06/27/2002 DE 100 64 641 (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.) OTHER DOCUMENTS Communication pursuant to Article 96(2) EPC in corresponding European Patent Application No. 03 254 653.3-1211 dated February 22, 2007. /KP/ DATE CONSIDERED **EXAMINER** 12/19/2007 /Karl Puttlitz/ EXAMINER: Initial if citation considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP Section 609; Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

Form PTO-A820 (also form PTO-1449)

P09A/REV05

Patent and Trademark Office \* U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

OTPE					Docket Number (Optional)		Application Number		
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE CITATION					4296-164 US 10/607,767  Applicant(s)  NISHIMURA et al.				
DEC 16	2003	(Use several sheets if necessar	Filing Date Group Art Unit						
					June 27, 2003		1	621	_
June 27, 2003 1621  U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS  *EXAMINER PROPERTY NUMBER PATE NAME CLASS SURCLASS FILING DATE									
*EXAMINER INITIAL	REF	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE		NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE	
/KP/		4,317,926	03/02/1982	Sato et	al.	562	532		
					•				
						<del></del>			
			·						
					· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·				
FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS									
	REF	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY		CLASS	SUBCLASS	Trans YE\$	NO NO
/KP/		DE 100 64 641 A1	22.12.2000	Germai	ny				
									<u> </u>
OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)									
EXAMINER		/Karl Puttlitz/	DATE CONSIDERED	12/	19/2007				
EXAMINER: Initial if citation considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP Section 609; Draw line through citation if not in conformance and									

Form PTO-A820 (also form PTO-1449)

not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.